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## Why Los Angeles Doesn't Trust City Hall

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LA WATCHDOG - The media is having a field day exposing the shenanigans of the Herb Wesson led City Council and Mayor Eric Garcetti. But these backroom deals, when taken as a whole, represent a pattern of corruption which jeopardizes our residential neighborhoods and quality of life, the City's financial health, and the voters' trust and confidence in our Elected Elite who occupy City Hall.

Two weeks ago, David Zahniser of The Los Angeles Times exposed Jose Huizar's flip flop on his campaign pledge to oppose amnesty for almost 1,000 illegal billboards and to limit new digital billboards to special sign districts. But now, Huizar, the Chair of the powerful, favor granting Planning and Land Use Management Committee, is trying weasel out of his promise as his committee, which includes billboard advocates Mitch Englander and Gil Cedillo, failed to approve these reasonable, quality of life conditions.

But that is understandable given the millions bestowed on our City's pols by the billboard industry.

Zahniser also revealed how Herb Wesson orchestrated a significant zoning change for a 27 story, 300 foot tall luxury high rise apartment building at Catalina and Eighth in Koreatown. This sleight of hand will result in a \$15 to \$20 million windfall .....

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